

**CONSOLIDATED CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS
COUNTY OF MARION
STATE OF INDIANA**

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 4, 2001

ESTABLISHMENT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, the City of Indianapolis is responsible for providing certain animal care and control in Indianapolis pursuant to city ordinance;

WHEREAS, the City currently has a management contract with the Humane Society of Indianapolis, Inc. for the operation of the kennels at the Indianapolis Animal Care and Control Division shelter (the "shelter") and other related duties;

WHEREAS, animals housed at the shelter should receive treatment and care consistent with City-County ordinances and accepted practices for animal care;

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City to increase the number of adoptions from the shelter, reduce the number of euthanizations at the shelter, and raise public awareness about the availability of services at the shelter;

WHEREAS, the public should have a forum to offer suggestions and proposals to the Mayor on these issues;

WHEREAS, an Animal Care and Control Task Force is necessary to consider these issues and provide recommendations to the Mayor, Director of Public Safety and the Animal Care and Control Board;

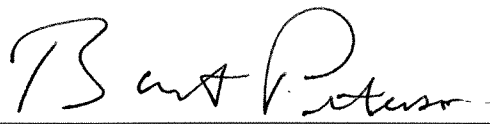
NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, and as successor-in-interest to the Board of Commissioners of Marion County, Indiana, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. The Animal Care and Control Task Force is hereby established.
2. To execute the responsibilities of the task force, the Mayor shall appoint eight (8) individuals with experience with nonprofit organizations related to animal care and welfare, veterinary medicine, the law, the City-County Council, and neighborhood associations.
3. The Mayor hereby designates Marilyn Moores as the Chairperson of the task force.
4. The task force members shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor.

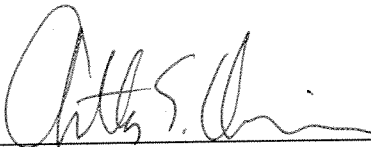
5. The task force shall hold several public meetings, at least one of which shall be during customary business hours and at least one of which shall be during evening hours, and at different locations in the City, to hear public testimony on issues that relate to the shelter. The times and locations shall be determined by the Chairperson in consultation with the other members of the task force.
6. The task force is hereby charged with considering the following issues relating to the shelter:
 - a. The overall health, care and treatment of the animals;
 - b. The performance of the Humane Society of Indianapolis, Inc. under its management contract with the City of Indianapolis, and whether the contract should be continued and/or amended;
 - c. Ensuring that animals adopted from the shelter are spayed or neutered;
 - d. Increasing the number of adoptions from the shelter; and
 - e. Conducting educational campaigns to promote adoptions and responsible pet ownership.
7. The task force shall prepare a report containing its recommendations on the above issues to the Mayor, the Director of Public Safety and the Animal Care and Control Board prior to or on February 15, 2002. The report shall be made available to the public as a public record.
8. Each recommendation identified in the report of the task force shall contain a fiscal impact component, and shall identify sources of funding from either the City-County budget or other sources.
9. The task force's meetings shall be held consistent with the Indiana Open Door Law (Ind. Code Section 5-14-1.5, *et seq.*).
10. No member shall receive compensation for his or her services on the task force.
11. This Executive Order shall become effective immediately.

DATED this 19 day of November, 2001.

CONSOLIDATED CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS
AND MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

By: 
Bart Peterson, Mayor

Approved for form and legality:

By: 
A. Scott Chinn, Corporation Counsel